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Political Cartoons

Roosevelt and the Panama Canal

The New Treaty flag refers to the treaty that granted the United States exclusive canal rights in 1903.



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Bogotá is the capital of Colombia, the nation that had held the Isthmus of Panama until the region revolted.

President Theodore Roosevelt is shown digging the Panama Canal.

ANALYZING POLITICAL CARTOONS

Study the political cartoon, and then answer the questions that follow.

1. What do the ships in the foreground represent?

2. What does the dirt Roosevelt is slinging onto Bogotá, Colombia, symbolize?

3. Do you think this cartoon supports or opposes the Panama Canal and imperialism?
